

# Lawrence Hobson

Lawrence Hobson was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 49

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Career

Incident date: May 12, 1997 13:30

Date of death: May 16, 1997

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Robbins Fire Department  
3323 West 137th Street  
Robbins, IL 60472  
Chief: Charles B. Lloyd

# Michael F. Drobitsch

Michael F. Drobitsch was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 46

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jun 20, 1997

Date of death: Jun 20, 1997

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Training

Fixed property use: N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
121 North LaSalle  
Chicago, IL 60601  
Chief: Fire Commissioner Edward Altman

# Dale Zimmerman

Dale Zimmerman was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 40

Rank: Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jan 13, 1996

Date of death: Jan 13, 1996

Cause of death: Exposure

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Search and Rescue

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: Storage

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Pecatonica Fire Protection District  
1221 S. Main Street  
Pecatonica,, IL 61063  
Chief: Acting Chief Steve Van Vleck

# Robert Duvall

Robert Duvall was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 39

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Apr 7, 1996

Date of death: Apr 7, 1996

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type:

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Granville Fire Protection District  
Box 71 High Street  
Granville, IL 61326  
Chief: Jim Casford

# Howard E. Strube, Jr.

Howard E. Strube, Jr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 34

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Sep 7, 1997

Date of death: Sep 7, 1997

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Support

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Training

Fixed property use: N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Canton Fire Department  
156 East Chestnut  
Canton, IL 61520  
Chief: Michael Jackson

# Walter Douglas Buckert

Walter Douglas Buckert was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 22

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Oct 2, 1997 17:00

Date of death: Oct 2, 1997

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Burns

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Industry

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Carthage Fire Department  
122 South Adams Street  
Carthage, IL 62321  
Chief: Scott Carle

# Michael Dean Mapes

Michael Dean Mapes was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 35

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Oct 2, 1997 17:00

Date of death: Oct 2, 1997

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Burns

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Industry

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Carthage Fire Department  
122 South Adams Street  
Carthage, IL 62321  
Chief: Scott Carle

# Brian Thomas Hauk

Brian Thomas Hauk was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 32

Rank: Assistant Fire Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Dec 23, 1997 17:15

Date of death: Dec 23, 1997

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Logan-Trivoli Fire Protection District  
212 N Main Street PO Box 110  
Hanna City, IL 61536-0110  
Chief: David E Tuttle



# William E. Bonnar, Sr.

William E. Bonnar, Sr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 61

Rank: Battalion Chief

Classification: Career

Incident date: Feb 25, 1998

Date of death: Feb 25, 1998

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Fitness Activity

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Training

Fixed property use: N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Orland Fire Protection District  
9788 West 151st Street  
Orland Park, IL 60462-3110  
Chief: Jack McCastland

# Patrick Joseph King

Patrick Joseph King was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 40

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Feb 11, 1998 13:30

Date of death: Feb 11, 1998

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Dept. - Truck Co. 45  
121 North LaSalle City Hall Room 105  
Chicago, IL 60601  
Chief: fire commissioner Edward Altman

# Anthony Eddie Lockhart

Anthony Eddie Lockhart was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 40

Rank: firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Feb 11, 1998 13:30

Date of death: Feb 11, 1998

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Dept. - Engine 120  
121 North LaSalle City Hall Room 105  
Chicago, IL 60601  
Chief: Fire Commissioner Edward Altman

# Kevin Woodrow Reveal

Kevin Woodrow Reveal was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 31

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Sep 29, 1996

Date of death: Sep 29, 1996

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Ventilation

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Vacant Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Herrin Fire Department  
400 South Park  
Herrin, IL 62948  
Chief: Chief Mike Steh

# Stanley Scott

Stanley Scott was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 45

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Dec 21, 1996

Date of death: Dec 21, 1996

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Water Supply

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
121 N. LaSalle St., City Hall, Room 105  
Chicago, IL 60601  
Chief: Chief Edward Altman

# John Haviar

John Haviar was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age:

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Nov 9, 1995

Date of death: Nov 9, 1995

Cause of death: Exposure

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Search and Rescue

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Manufacturing

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Reynolds Metal Company Fire Department

McCook, IL 60525

Chief: Dave Lane

# Donald Kaczka

Donald Kaczka was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 57

Rank: Fire Engineer

Classification: Career

Incident date: Mar 24, 1995

Date of death: Mar 24, 1995

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Manufacturing

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
City Hall  
Chicago, IL 60602  
Chief: Raymond Orozco

# Thomas O'Boyle

Thomas O'Boyle was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 55

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Career

Incident date: Sep 26, 1995

Date of death: Sep 26, 1995

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Storage

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
510 N. Peshtigo Court  
Chicago, IL 60611  
Chief: Charles Steward



# Thomas E. Prendergast

Thomas E. Prendergast was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 56

Rank: Captain

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jul 23, 1998

Date of death: Aug 8, 1998

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department - Engine Company 78  
121 North LaSalle City Hall Room 105;  
Chicago, IL 60602  
Chief: Commissioner Ed Altman

# Steven J. Twining

Fatality status is provisional and may change as USFA contacts State Fire Marshals to verify fatality incident information.

Age: 49

Rank: Former Chief Fire Admin.

Classification:

Incident date:

Date of death: May 22, 1998

Cause of death:

Nature of death: Other

Activity type:

Emergency duty:

Duty type:

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Riverdale Fire Department  
333 West 142nd Street  
Riverdale, IL 60827-2396  
Chief:

# Ralph J. Loyd

Ralph J. Loyd was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 90

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jan 27, 1999 10:30

Date of death: Jan 28, 1999

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Support

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Storage

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Greenville Fire Protection District  
Post Office Box 402  
Greenville, IL 62246  
Chief: Bill Johnston

# Kurt C. Borchers

Fatality status is provisional and may change as USFA contacts State Fire Marshals to verify fatality incident information.

Age: 37

Rank: Captain

Classification: Career

Incident date:

Date of death: Apr 22, 1999

Cause of death:

Nature of death: Other

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type:

Fixed property use: N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Morris Fire Protection and Ambulance District  
121 W. Main  
Morris, IL 60450  
Chief: Robert Coleman

# Arthur A. Tullis

Arthur A. Tullis was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 61

Rank: Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: May 4, 1999 16:00

Date of death: May 4, 1999

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Incident Command

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Public Assembly

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

La Grange Park Volunteer Fire Dept.  
447 North Catherine  
La Grange Park, IL 60525  
Chief: Deputy Fire Chief Rick Ronovsky

# Wayne Robert Luecht

Wayne Robert Luecht was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 47

Rank: Assistant Fire Chief

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jun 11, 1999 14:20

Date of death: Jun 21, 1999

Cause of death: Exposure

Nature of death: Burns

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Northbrook Fire Department  
740 Dundee Road  
Northbrook, IL 60062  
Chief: Jay Reardon

# Eugene Williard Blackmon, Jr.

Eugene Williard Blackmon, Jr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 38

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: May 19, 1998

Date of death: May 19, 1998

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Search and Rescue

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
121 North LaSalle City Hall-Room 105  
Chicago, IL 60602  
Chief: Fire Commissioner Edward Altman

# Jesse Stewart

Jesse Stewart was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 72

Rank: Assistant Deputy

Classification: Career

Incident date: Feb 3, 1985

Date of death: Dec 1, 1997

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Driving/Operating Vehicle/Apparatus

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
1338 South Clinton Street  
Chicago, IL 60607  
Chief: Edward P. Altman



# Donald R. Wilson

Donald R. Wilson was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 50

Rank: Assistant Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Mar 6, 2000 13:30

Date of death: Mar 6, 2000

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Ventilation

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Herrick Fire Protection District  
P.O. Box 18  
Herrick, IL 62431  
Chief: Floyd White

# L. C. Merrell

L. C. Merrell was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 43

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Career

Incident date: Apr 29, 2000 11:52

Date of death: Apr 29, 2000

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Riding Vehicle/Apparatus

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
121 North LaSalle Street Room 105  
Chicago, IL 60602  
Chief: James Joyce

# Steven Max Wilmot

Steven Max Wilmot was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 47

Rank: Captain

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jul 18, 2000 15:30

Date of death: Aug 9, 2000

Cause of death: Fall

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Springfield Fire Department  
825 E. Capital  
Springfield, IL 62707  
Chief: JD Knox

# Thomas G. Gotkowski

Thomas G. Gotkowski was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 55

Rank: Captain

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Oct 1, 2000 16:30

Date of death: Oct 1, 2000

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Ventilation

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Tinley Park Volunteer Fire Department  
17355 South 68th Court  
Tinley Park, IL 60477  
Chief: Kenneth Dunn

# Scott P. Gillen

Scott P. Gillen was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 37

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Career

Incident date: Dec 23, 2000 02:45

Date of death: Dec 23, 2000

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
121 North LaSalle Street Room #105  
Chicago, IL 60602  
Chief: James T. Joyce

# Clint Anderson Talley

Clint Anderson Talley was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 27

Rank: Lieutenant/EMT

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Feb 17, 2001 10:26

Date of death: Feb 17, 2001

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Ashton Fire Protection District  
704 Main Street  
Ashton, IL 61006  
Chief: Jeff Larson

# Michael L. McKean

Michael L. McKean was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 32

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Feb 17, 2001 10:26

Date of death: Feb 17, 2001

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Ashton Fire Protection District  
Main Street  
Ashton, IL 61006  
Chief: Jeff Larson

# Willard Charles Christoffer

Willard Charles Christoffer was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 54

Rank: Probationary Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: May 14, 2001 20:10

Date of death: May 14, 2001

Cause of death: Fall

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Training

Fixed property use: Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Western Springs Fire Department  
4353 Wolf Road  
Western Springs, IL 60558  
Chief: Frank Benak



# Donald Dean Myrick

Donald Dean Myrick was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 49

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jul 22, 2001 05:00

Date of death: Jul 22, 2001

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Ludlow Fire Protection District  
P.O. Box 178 Thomas St.  
Ludlow, IL 60949-0178  
Chief: Pat Quinlan

# Robert A. Augustyn

Robert A. Augustyn was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 57

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Career

Incident date: Sep 7, 2001 15:52

Date of death: Sep 7, 2001

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Cicero Fire Department  
5303 West 25th Street  
Cicero, IL 60804  
Chief: Jim Smetana

# Kenneth James Frayne

Kenneth James Frayne was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 28

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Oct 13, 2001 11:00

Date of death: Oct 13, 2001

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Training

Fixed property use: Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Channahon Fire Protection District  
24929 Center St.  
Channahon, IL 60410  
Chief: David Riddle

# Joseph Michael Rotherham

Joseph Michael Rotherham was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 46

Rank: Captain

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jan 14, 2003 01:29

Date of death: Jan 14, 2003

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Springfield Fire/Rescue Department  
825 E Capitol Ave.  
Springfield, IL 62701  
Chief: Ron Hasara

# Vannie Duane Keever

Vannie Duane Keever was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 54

Rank: Assistant Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Apr 10, 2003 18:15

Date of death: Apr 10, 2003

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Water Supply

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information: In memory of Assistant Chief Vannie Duane Keever, C/o Gulfport/Gladstone FPD, PO Box 163, Gladstone, IL 61437

## Department information

Gulfport/Gladstone FPD  
PO Box 163  
Gladstone, IL 61437  
Chief: Dave Stewart

# Bruce F Spaulding

Bruce F Spaulding was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 49

Rank: Firefighter/EMT-B

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Apr 26, 2003 08:44

Date of death: Apr 26, 2003

Cause of death: Fall

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: In-Station Duties

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information: Memorials have been established for an education fund for Firefighter Spaulding's children or to the Bourbonnais Fire Protection District. Both are in C/o Bourbonnais Fire Protection District, 1080 Armour RD, Bourbonnais, IL 60914-2102, (815) 935-9670

## Department information

Bourbonnais Fire Protection District  
1080 Armour Rd.  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914-2102  
Chief: Ed St. Louis

# Todd “Bubba” Dicks

Todd “Bubba” Dicks was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 37

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Dec 3, 2003

Date of death: Dec 3, 2003

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Riding Vehicle/Apparatus

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: In memory of Todd "Bubba" Dicks c/o Warsaw Volunteer Fire Department, N 5th St, Warsaw, IL 62379

## Department information

Warsaw Fire Department  
N 5th St  
Warsaw, IL 62379  
Chief: Steve Siegrist

# Robert J Ely

Robert J Ely was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 61

Rank: Captain

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Sep 25, 1990

Date of death: Sep 25, 1990

Cause of death: Other

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Hollbrook Fire Department

Chicago Heights, IL



# Keith M Herington

Keith M Herington was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 41

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jun 20, 1990

Date of death: Jun 26, 1990

Cause of death: Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft

Nature of death: Drowning

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Washburn Fire Protection District

Washburn, IL

# Thomas Maxeiner

Thomas Maxeiner was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 51

Rank: Unknown

Classification: Career

Incident date: Dec 23, 1990

Date of death: Dec 23, 1990

Cause of death: Other

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Decatur Fire Department

Decatur, IL

# Mark Steven Rice

Mark Steven Rice was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 32

Rank: Captain

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Dec 1, 1991

Date of death: Dec 2, 1991

Cause of death: Fall

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

South Pekin Volunteer Fire Department

South Pekin, IL

# John Harrison Spencer

John Harrison Spencer was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 54

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Apr 14, 1991

Date of death: Apr 14, 1991

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Quincy Fire Department

Quincy, IL

# George S Winckler

George S Winckler was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 48

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Career

Incident date: Oct 18, 1991

Date of death: Oct 18, 1991

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Training

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Naperville Fire Department

Naperville, IL

# Eldon W Harrison

Eldon W Harrison was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 57

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Sep 9, 1992

Date of death: Sep 9, 1992

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Depue Fire Department

Depue, IL

# Richard C Heller

Richard C Heller was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 51

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Apr 4, 1992

Date of death: Apr 4, 1992

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Pump Operations

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Elk Grove Township Fire Department

Arlington Heights, IL

# Timmie L Lewis

Timmie L Lewis was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 29

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Oct 24, 1992

Date of death: Oct 24, 1992

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Alton Fire Department

Alton, IL



# Patrick Joseph Luby

Patrick Joseph Luby was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 43

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jul 29, 1992

Date of death: Jul 29, 1992

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Oakpark Fire Department

Oak Park, IL

# Robert Medlicott

Robert Medlicott was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 51

Rank: Battalion Chief/District Chief

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jul 29, 1992

Date of death: Jul 29, 1992

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Berwyn Fire Department

Berwyn, IL

# Mitchell Kim Meredith

Mitchell Kim Meredith was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 38

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jul 15, 1992

Date of death: Jul 15, 1992

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Ventilation

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Sangamon Valley Fire Protection District

Fisher, IL

# Gary S Porter

Gary S Porter was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 38

Rank: Captain

Classification: Career

Incident date: Oct 24, 1992

Date of death: Oct 24, 1992

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Alton Fire Department

Alton, IL

# Edwin R Conklin

Edwin R Conklin was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 65

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jun 29, 1993

Date of death: Jun 29, 1993

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Earlville Fire Protection District

Earlville, IL

# Steven J McNamee

Steven J McNamee was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 36

Rank: Recruit/Probationary Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Nov 23, 1993

Date of death: Nov 24, 1993

Cause of death: Fall

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type:

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Training

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department

Chicago, IL

# Delmar M Mondy

Delmar M Mondy was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 57

Rank: Assistant/Deputy Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jul 27, 1993

Date of death: Jul 27, 1993

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type:

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Seneca Volunteer Fire Department

Seneca, IL

# Dennis Ray Olson

Dennis Ray Olson was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland .

Age: 46

Rank: Assistant/Deputy Chief

Classification: Career

Incident date: Mar 6, 1993

Date of death: Mar 6, 1993

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Monmouth Dept of Public Safety, Fire Division

Monmouth, IL



# Charles Michael Lehn

Charles Michael Lehn was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 57

Rank: Assistant Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Mar 20, 2004 10:19

Date of death: Mar 21, 2004

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Cerebrovascular Accident

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information: Donations for a memorial can be made through the Catholic Church at: Mike Lehn Memorial Fund, Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church 132 Butcher St. P.O. Box 100 Bethalto, IL 62010. All donations will be given to the Back-Stoppers Foundation to assist families of fallen firefighters and law-enforcement officials.

## Department information

Bethalto Volunteer Fire Department  
213 N. Prairie St.  
Bethalto, IL 62010  
Chief: John Nolte

# Kevin R. McIntyre

Kevin R. McIntyre was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 45

Rank: District Chief

Classification: Career

Incident date: Apr 18, 2004 19:00

Date of death: Apr 18, 2004

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information: Contributions can be sent to D. William Robertson, 204 S. First Street, Rockford, IL 61104

## Department information

Rockford Fire Department  
204 S. First Street  
Rockford, IL 61104  
Chief: D. William Robertson

# Jeffrey C. Bergstrom

Jeffrey C. Bergstrom was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 34

Rank: Firefighter/Paramedic

Classification: Part-Time (Paid)

Incident date: Apr 27, 2004 17:42

Date of death: Apr 27, 2004

Cause of death: Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Riding Vehicle/Apparatus

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: C/o Stone Park Fire Department, 1745 N 35th Ave., Stone Park, IL 60165

## Department information

Stone Park Fire Department  
1745 N 35th Ave.  
Stone Park, IL 60165  
Chief: John Cummins

# Alan David Toepke

Alan David Toepke was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 30

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Wildland Part-Time

Incident date: Apr 23, 2004

Date of death: Apr 24, 2004

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Returning

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: The Toepke family has requested that contributions in Al's memory be made to either of two organizations:,,h Dakota Pheasants Forever, Attn: Dave Roberts, 623 North 13th St., Bismarck, ND 58501 (www.dakotapf.com),,h YMCA Camp Olson to support cabin restoration or camper scholarships as it celebrates its 50th anniversary in 2004 (4160 Little Big Boy Road NE, Longville, MN 56655).

## Department information

Midewin Agency Hotshot Crew  
30239 S. State Route 53  
Wilmington, IL 60481  
Chief: Superintendent Lito Contreras

# Theodore “Ted” Arthur Myhre

Theodore “Ted” Arthur Myhre was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA’s annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 73

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Dec 20, 2004 16:57

Date of death: Dec 20, 2004

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Scene Safety

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: Pending

## Department information

Bishop Hill Fire Department  
307 N Bishop Hill St.  
Bishop Hill, IL 61419  
Chief: Jack Hawkins

# Kevin L. Slain

Kevin L. Slain was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 47

Rank: Captain

Classification: Career

Incident date: Sep 14, 2004

Date of death: Sep 14, 2004

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Dixon Rural Fire Protection District  
1020 Palmyra Street  
Dixon, IL 61021-1964  
Chief: Kevin E. Lalley

# Patrick J. Cramer

Patrick J. Cramer was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 51

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Nov 15, 2004 21:20

Date of death: Nov 15, 2004

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: Public Assembly

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
10 West 35th Street 14th Floor  
Chicago, IL 60616  
Chief: Deputy Commissioner William T. Donohue

# Roger W Armstrong

Roger W Armstrong was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 42

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jan 20, 2006 23:36

Date of death: Jan 21, 2006

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information: None submitted.

## Department information

Atlanta Fire Department  
PO Box 513 207 SE Vine St.  
Atlanta, IL 61723  
Chief: Rick Cheek



# Jeffrey Dean Irwin

Jeffrey Dean Irwin was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 43

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Paid-on-Call

Incident date: Jul 29, 2006 19:17

Date of death: Jul 29, 2006

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Setup

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information: Firefighter Irwin Children's Fund, First State Bank, 946 4th Street, Eldorado, IL 62930

## Department information

Eldorado Fire Department  
901 4th Street  
Eldorado, IL 62930  
Chief: Mike McKinnies

# Dana MacCrimmon

Dana MacCrimmon was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 45

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Aug 10, 2006 22:59

Date of death: Aug 11, 2006

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Cerebrovascular Accident

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information: Memorial Fund Contact and Address: In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Southern Illinois Camp for Burned Children, in memory of "Dana's Kid's." Send C/o City of Carbondale Fire Department, 200 S. Illinois Ave., Carbondale, IL 62902, Tele: (618) 457-3234

## Department information

Carbondale Fire Department  
200 S. Illinois Ave.  
Carbondale, IL 62902  
Chief: John Michalesko

# Harold Vernon Taylor

Harold Vernon Taylor was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 65

Rank: Assistant Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jan 26, 2006 09:18

Date of death: Jan 26, 2006

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information: C/o Central Warren County Fire Protection District, 405 East Walnut, PO Box 146, Kirkwood, IL 61447

## Department information

Central Warren County Fire Protection District  
405 East Walnut PO Box 146  
Kirkwood, IL 61447  
Chief: Corey A. Campagna

# Michael L Fox

Michael L Fox was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 37

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Feb 2, 2007 00:25

Date of death: Feb 2, 2007

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Driving/Operating Vehicle/Apparatus

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: In memory of Firefighter Mike Fox, C/o Vergennes Fire Department, PO Box 168, Vergennes, IL 62994

## Department information

Vergennes Fire Department  
PO Box 168  
Vergennes, IL 62994  
Chief: Larry Randy Mathis

# William F Grant

William F Grant was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 44

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Mar 23, 2007 07:41

Date of death: Mar 23, 2007

Cause of death: Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Riding Vehicle/Apparatus

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: Pending

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
10 W. 35th St. 13th Floor  
Chicago, IL 60602  
Chief: Fire Commissioner Raymond Orosco

# Bruce Joseph Zumwalt

Bruce Joseph Zumwalt was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 54

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: May 6, 2007 11:47

Date of death: May 6, 2007

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information: In honor of Firefighter Joseph Zumwalt, donations can be made to the Sheldon District Fire Department, PO Box 125, Sheldon, IL 60966, the Sheldon Square Shooters 4H Club, or the American Heart Association.

## Department information

Sheldon District Fire Department  
PO Box 125  
Sheldon, IL 60966  
Chief: Joel Davenport

# James Glenn Miller

James Glenn Miller was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 43

Rank: Fire Fighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jul 27, 2007 04:15

Date of death: Jul 27, 2007

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: James Miller Memorial Fund, 201 S Park St., Sesser, IL 62884 Tele: (618) 625-2361

## Department information

Sesser Fire Protection District  
910 S. Park St.  
Sesser, IL 62884  
Chief: Cletus McBride

# Scott Mumm

Scott Mumm was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 34

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Paid-on-Call

Incident date: Oct 29, 2007 17:18

Date of death: Oct 29, 2007

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Water Supply

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: Outdoor Property

Memorial fund information: In honor of Lieutenant Scott Mumm, C/o Mendota Fire Department, 610 Main St., Mendota, IL 61342-1983

## Department information

Mendota Fire Department  
610 Main St.  
Mendota, IL 61342-1983  
Chief: Dennis Rutishauser



# Matthew P. Hubly

Matthew P. Hubly was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 43

Rank: Fire Chief

Classification: Paid-on-Call

Incident date: Feb 1, 2008 10:00

Date of death: Feb 7, 2008

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Industry

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Kankakee Township Fire Protection District  
PO BOX 2407  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
Chief: Matthew Hubly

# Kerry Richard Sheridan

Kerry Richard Sheridan was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 75

Rank: Fire Chief

Classification: Part-Time (Paid)

Incident date: Feb 12, 2008 15:00

Date of death: Feb 12, 2008

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: In-Station Duties

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information: Donations in honor of Fire Chief Kerry Sheridan can be made to the Troy Township Fire Protection District, 107 W Jefferson ST., Shorewood, IL 60431-9399.

## Department information

Troy Township Fire Protection District  
107 W Jefferson ST.  
Shorewood, IL 60431-9399  
Chief: Pending

# Donald Lee Grubor

Donald Lee Grubor was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 42

Rank: Deputy Fire Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Mar 21, 2008 21:16

Date of death: Mar 22, 2008

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information: Memorial contributions may be made to the Lewistown Rescue Squad (PO Box 311, Lewistown, IL 61542), or any charity of the donor's choice. Online condolences may be made at [www.henrylange.com](http://www.henrylange.com).

## Department information

Lewistown Fire Protection District  
PO Box 311  
Lewistown, IL 61542  
Chief: John Spotlow

# Brian James Munz

Brian James Munz was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 24

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jul 22, 2008 19:45

Date of death: Jul 22, 2008

Cause of death: Fall

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information: Pending

## Department information

Fairbury Fire Department  
PO Box 228 320 W Locust ST.  
Fairbury, IL 61739-0228  
Chief: Leroy McPherson

# William Joseph Miller

William Joseph Miller was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 24

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Oct 13, 2008 20:30

Date of death: Oct 13, 2008

Cause of death: Other

Nature of death: Other

Activity type: Driving/Operating Vehicle/Apparatus

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Training

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: William (or Billy) Miller Memorial Fund State Bank of Blue Mound PO Box 200 Blue Mound, IL 62513

## Department information

Blue Mound Fire Department  
324 N. Lewis  
Blue Mound, IL 62513  
Chief: John A. Holmgren, Jr.

# Steve “Tiny” D. Kline

Steve “Tiny” D. Kline was included in the USFA’s annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 37

Rank: Firefighter/Paramedic

Classification: Part-Time (Paid)

Incident date: Nov 18, 2008 11:15

Date of death: Nov 18, 2008

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Training

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Stone Park Fire Department  
1745 North 35th Avenue  
Stone Park, IL 60165  
Chief: Michael Paige

# John William Jeffers

John William Jeffers was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 54

Rank: Assistant Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Apr 1, 2009

Date of death: Apr 2, 2009

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: In-Station Duties

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information: Memorials may be made to the Wellington-Greer Fire Department, the Wellington United Methodist Church or to the charity of the donor's choice.

## Department information

Wellington-Greer Fire Protection District  
PO Box 143  
Wellington, IL 60973-0143  
Chief: Ross Butzow

# Terrance D. Freeman Sr.

Terrance D. Freeman Sr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 37

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Nov 22, 2009 12:00

Date of death: Nov 22, 2009

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: N/A

Memorial fund information: There will be a family scholarship fund established and donations can be sent c/o Rockford Fire Department, 204 S. 1st Street, Rockford, 61102.

## Department information

Rockford Fire Department  
204 S First ST USNG: 16T CM 2769 8154  
Rockford, IL 61104-2033  
Chief: Derek Bergsten



# Brian Colin Carey

Brian Colin Carey was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 28

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Mar 30, 2010 21:00

Date of death: Mar 30, 2010

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information: The Homewood Emergency Medical Fund, 17950 Dixie HWY, Homewood, IL 60430

## Department information

Homewood Fire Department  
17950 Dixie HWY USNG: 16T DM 4450 0147  
Homewood, IL 60430-1732  
Chief: Bob Grabowski

# Kurt Michael Meusel

Kurt Michael Meusel was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 25

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: May 22, 2010 21:14

Date of death: May 22, 2010

Cause of death: Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: Pending

## Department information

Scales Mound Fire Protection District  
130 N Franklin ST USNG: 15T YH 2582 0597  
Scales Mound, IL 61075  
Chief: Carl Winters

# Frank William Fouts, V

Frank William Fouts, V was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 37

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jul 1, 2010 13:10

Date of death: Jul 1, 2010

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information: In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Frank William Fouts, V Memorial Fund for his children. Other expressions of sympathy or condolences can be sent to Local 653 at 1136 Flossie Circle, Bourbonnais, IL 60914-4564 or emailed to [jtjkb@comcast.net](mailto:jtjkb@comcast.net).

## Department information

City of Kankakee Fire Department  
385 E OAK ST USNG: 16T DL 2773 5260  
Kankakee, IL 60901-3924  
Chief: Ron Young

# Christopher D. Wheatley

Christopher D. Wheatley was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 31

Rank: Firefighter/Paramedic

Classification: Career

Incident date: Aug 9, 2010 00:30

Date of death: Aug 9, 2010

Cause of death: Fall

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information: Pending

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
10 W 35TH ST, Floor 14 USNG: 16T DM 4792 3120  
Chicago, IL 60616-3717  
Chief: Fire Commissioner Robert Hoff

# Mark Phillip Johnson

Mark Phillip Johnson was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 55

Rank: Deputy Fire Chief

Classification: Career

Incident date: Sep 20, 2010 16:50

Date of death: Sep 20, 2010

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Training

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information: In honor of Deputy Fire Chief Mark Johnson, c/o Hinsdale Fire Department, 121 Symonds Drive, Hinsdale, IL 60521.

## Department information

Hinsdale Fire Department  
121 Symonds Drive USNG: 16T DM 2311 2841  
Hinsdale, IL 60521  
Chief: Mike Kelly

# Thomas Dale Innes

Thomas Dale Innes was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 61

Rank: Assistant Fire Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Oct 2, 2010 22:45

Date of death: Oct 3, 2010

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Hindsboro Community Fire Protection District  
PO Box 37 USNG: 16S DJ 0275 9328  
Hindsboro, IL 61930  
Chief: Steve Beaty

# Gary Lowell Cummins

Gary Lowell Cummins was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 62

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Oct 31, 2010 20:45

Date of death: Oct 31, 2010

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Water Supply

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Brocton Fire Protection District  
113 East 3rd St. USNG: 16S DJ 2010 9658  
Brocton, IL 61917  
Chief: Virgil Haynes

# Edward J. Stringer, Sr.

Edward J. Stringer, Sr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 47

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Dec 22, 2010 06:54

Date of death: Dec 22, 2010

Cause of death: Collapse

Nature of death: Crushed

Activity type: Ventilation

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
10 W 35th ST, Floor 14 USNG: 16T DM 4793 3119  
Chicago, IL 60616  
Chief: Fire Commissioner Robert S. Hoff



# Corey D. Ankum

Corey D. Ankum was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 34

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Dec 22, 2010 06:54

Date of death: Dec 22, 2010

Cause of death: Collapse

Nature of death: Crushed

Activity type: Unknown

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information: A memorial fund has been set up for the Ankum Family at Chase Bank. You can call any Chase Bank and tell them you would like to make a donation to this fund. Tell them it is a business fund under FF Corey Ankum Memorial Fund.

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
10 W 35th ST, Floor 14 USNG: 16T DM 4793 3119  
Chicago, IL 60616  
Chief: Fire Commissioner Robert S. Hoff

# Patrick Bernard Hannon

Patrick Bernard Hannon was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 51

Rank: Lieutenant

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jan 15, 2011 07:00

Date of death: Jan 15, 2011

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: In-Station Duties

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
10 W 35th ST, Floor 14 USNG: 16T DM 4793 3119  
Chicago, IL 60616  
Chief: Fire Commissioner Robert S. Hoff

# Daniel “Double Dare” Charles Dare

Daniel “Double Dare” Charles Dare was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA’s annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 52

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Feb 1, 2011 20:30

Date of death: Feb 2, 2011

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Returning

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: In honor of Firefighter Daniel C. Dare, donations can be made to the Dare Children Education Fund, 3425 East County Highway 20, Avon, IL 61415

## Department information

Avon Fire Protection District  
PO Box 499, 102 E Clinton ST USNG: 15T YF 1685 0451  
Avon, IL 61415-0499  
Chief: Steve Bernhart

# Corey Ray Shaw

Corey Ray Shaw was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 22

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Paid-on-Call

Incident date: Jun 17, 2011 15:30

Date of death: Jun 17, 2011

Cause of death: Collapse

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information: Memorials for an education fund for Firefighter Shaw's daughter, Camryn Ray Shaw, will be accepted by the funeral home ([www.searbyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.searbyfuneralhomes.com)).

## Department information

Du Quoin Fire Department  
30 S Division ST USNG: 16S CH 0348 0941  
Du Quoin, IL 62832  
Chief: Bob Shaw

# John Charles Winkelman

John Charles Winkelman was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 54

Rank: Fire Captain

Classification: Career

Incident date: Apr 12, 2012 14:57

Date of death: Apr 12, 2012

Cause of death: Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Other On-Duty

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information: Memorials may be made to the family to establish a memorial at a late time. Memorial can be sent c/o Huntley Fire Protection District, 11808 Coral St., PO Box 517, Huntley, IL 60142

## Department information

Huntley Fire Protection District  
11808 Coral St., PO Box 517 USNG: 16T CM 8212 6953  
Huntley, IL 60142  
Chief: James Saletta

# Herbert T. Johnson

Herbert T. Johnson was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 54

Rank: Captain

Classification: Career

Incident date: Nov 2, 2012 17:31

Date of death: Nov 2, 2012

Cause of death: Caught or Trapped

Nature of death: Asphyxiation

Activity type: Advance Hose Lines/Fire Attack (includes Wildland)

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
3510 South Michigan Avenue, Floor 2 USNG: 16T DM 4822 3118  
Chicago, IL 60653  
Chief: Fire Commissioner José A. Santiago

# Walter Patmon, Jr.

Walter Patmon, Jr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 61

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Career

Incident date: Nov 11, 2012 22:00

Date of death: Nov 11, 2012

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Returning

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
3510 South Michigan Avenue, Floor 2 USNG: 16T DM 4822 3118  
Chicago, IL 60653  
Chief: Fire Commissioner José A. Santiago

# Timothy Paul Jansen

Timothy Paul Jansen was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 45

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Dec 2, 2012 19:30

Date of death: Dec 2, 2012

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Support

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Residential

Memorial fund information: Memorials can be made for Firefighter Jansen's children's education fund and will be received at the St. Cecilia Catholic Church in Bartelso, or through the Moss Funeral Home in Germantown.

## Department information

Santa Fe Fire Protection District  
408 Caryle RD USNG: 16S BH 8394 6825  
Bartelso, IL 62218  
Chief: Adam Maue



# Christopher Reed Brown

Christopher Reed Brown was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 39

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Mar 5, 2013 21:45

Date of death: Mar 5, 2013

Cause of death: Struck By

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Scene Safety

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information: Max and Mason Brown Education Fund, c/o Hudson Community Fire Protection District , 502 N Broadway ST, Hudson, IL 61748-9451

## Department information

Hudson Community Fire Protection District  
502 N Broadway ST USNG: 16T CK 3179 9756  
Hudson, IL 61748-9451  
Chief: Dan Hite

# Lawrence “Lance” A. Stone

Lawrence “Lance” A. Stone was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 37

Rank: Firefighter

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Apr 13, 2013 20:12

Date of death: Apr 13, 2013

Cause of death: Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Driving/Riding Personal Vehicle

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: Responding

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

West Union Community Fire Protection District  
PO Box 56, 119 W Union ST USNG: 16S DJ 4241 4096  
West Union, IL 62477  
Chief: Bill Crumrin

# Kenneth J. Lehr

Kenneth J. Lehr was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 59

Rank: Fire Chief

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Feb 5, 2015 14:30

Date of death: Feb 5, 2015

Cause of death: Vehicle Collision - Includes Aircraft

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Incident Command

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Medora Community Fire Protection District  
221 E. Washington Street, Medora, IL 62063  
Medora, IL 62063  
Chief: Battalion Chief Tony Bellitto

# Fidel G Serrano, Jr.

Fidel G Serrano, Jr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 40

Rank: Firefighter/Paramedic

Classification: Career

Incident date: Aug 24, 2012

Date of death: Aug 26, 2012

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Cerebrovascular Accident

Activity type: Not On Scene

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use:

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department

Chicago, IL

Chief: Commissioner Luis Santiago

# Mark Anthony Zielinski, Sr.

Mark Anthony Zielinski, Sr. was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 49

Rank: Firefighter/Paramedic

Classification: Career

Incident date: Dec 4, 2015 14:51

Date of death: Dec 4, 2015

Cause of death: Stress/Overexertion

Nature of death: Heart Attack

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Non-Fire

Fixed property use: Store/Office

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Matteson Fire Department  
3445 211 ST U.S. National Grid: 16T DL 4154 9512  
Matteson, IL 60443-2521  
Chief: Chris Schwalbe

# Daniel V Capuano

Daniel V Capuano was honored on the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland and was included in the USFA's annual report Firefighter Fatalities in the United States.

Age: 43

Rank: Firefighter/Paramedic

Classification: Career

Incident date: Dec 14, 2015 02:43

Date of death: Dec 14, 2015

Cause of death: Fall

Nature of death: Trauma

Activity type: Search and Rescue

Emergency duty: Yes

Duty type: On-Scene Fire

Fixed property use: Storage

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Chicago Fire Department  
3510 South Michigan Avenue, Floor 2 U.S. National Grid: 16T DM 4822 3118  
Chicago, IL 60653  
Chief: Fire Commissioner José A. Santiago

# Kenneth K. Harris

Fatality status is provisional and may change as USFA contacts State Fire Marshals to verify fatality incident information.

Age: 56

Rank: Firefighter/Paramedic

Classification: Career

Incident date: Jan 11, 2016 20:30

Date of death: Jan 11, 2016

Cause of death:

Nature of death:

Activity type: Other

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: After

Fixed property use: N/A

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Village of Oak Park Fire Department  
100 North Euclid US National Grid: 16T DM 3427 3760  
Oak Park, IL 60301  
Chief: Thomas Ebsen

# Eric Kohlbauer

Fatality status is provisional and may change as USFA contacts State Fire Marshals to verify fatality incident information.

Age: 52

Rank: Captain

Classification: Volunteer

Incident date: Jul 12, 2016 19:30

Date of death: Jul 12, 2016

Cause of death:

Nature of death:

Activity type: Pump Operations

Emergency duty: No

Duty type: Training

Fixed property use: Street/Road

Memorial fund information:

## Department information

Freeport Rural Fire Protection District  
4500 Pearl City Road U.S. National Grid: 16T BM 7730 8429  
Freeport, IL 61032  
Chief: Mike Wichman



